

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 2546  
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

There are concerns that the law relating to certain building energy performance standards for single-family residential construction does not adequately address industrialized housing. C.S.H.B. 2546 seeks to allow a manufacturer or builder of industrialized housing that meets certain requirements to be determined in compliance with those standards.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 2546 amends the Occupations Code to authorize a manufacturer or builder of industrialized housing to construct industrialized housing in accordance with the energy efficiency performance standards outlined in the Texas building energy performance standards for single-family residential construction or an applicable local amendment to those standards that is determined by the Energy Systems Laboratory at the Texas Engineering Experiment Station of The Texas A&M University System to be equally or more stringent.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2019.

### **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**

While C.S.H.B. 2546 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute does not include an authorization for a manufacturer or builder of industrialized buildings to construct industrialized buildings in accordance with the energy efficiency performance standards.